



# California Crop Weather

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## WEATHER

Temperature highs ranged from the low 40s to mid 60s in the mountains, mid 50s to mid 70s in the valley, mid low 60s to high 70s along the coast, and mid 60s to high 80s in the desert. Temperature lows ranged from the mid 10s to low 30s in the mountains, low 20s to mid 50s in the desert, low 30s to low 50s along the coast, and mid 30s to low 50s in the valley.

## FIELD CROPS

**Rice** and **cotton** growers have begun their field preparations. **Alfalfa** continued to mature. Winter grain plantings were in various stages of growth. Some wheat fields have started to form heads. There were some reports of lodging due to rainy and windy weather conditions in wheat fields.

## FRUIT CROPS

Stone fruit orchards were at the end of bloom and continued to leaf out as immature stone fruit continued to develop. **Peaches**, **nectarines**, and **plums** were sizing well. **Pomegranates** were starting to leaf out. **Grape** vines started to bud break. Cara Cara Navel **oranges**, Tangelos, and Mandarins were harvested. Seedless **tangerine** groves were covered with netting to prevent pollination by bees during the bloom.

## NUT CROPS

**Almond** bloom was complete. Some almond orchard floor clean up from winter occurred and herbicide applications continued where conditions permitted. **Walnuts** were starting to bloom. New tree nut orchards were being prepped for planting.

## VEGETABLE CROPS

Winter vegetables continued to be grown and harvested in Tulare County. Asparagus harvest began in San Joaquin County. Processing **tomatoes** continued to be planted. Harvest of **strawberries**, **broccoli**, **cauliflower**, and some **lettuce** continued in Monterey County.

## LIVESTOCK

Recent rains and spring temperatures promoted range development. Rangeland and non-irrigated pasture were in good condition. Bees were active in stone fruit orchards when weather conditions permitted.

**CALIFORNIA CROP WEATHER – WEEK ENDING 04/05/2020**

STATIONS	TEMPERATURE				GROWING DEGREE HOURS AT 60°F BASE		RAIN DAYS	PRECIPITATION 1/			
	Average Week Ending 04/05/2020	Departure from Normal 2/	High	Low	This Year	Normal Year 2/	This Season	This Week	This Season	Normal Season 2/	Normal Year 2/
					January 1- 04/05/2020	January 1- 04/05/2020	October 1- 04/05/2020	Week Ending 04/05/2020	Oct 1- 04/05/2020	Oct 1- 04/05/2020	Oct 1- Sept 30
	-- Degrees Fahrenheit --				-- Number --		-- Days 3/ --	-- Inches of Precipitation --			
<b>North Coast</b>											
Eureka WFO	47	-3	57	32	0	0	74	2.62	24.20	34.29	40.53
Ukiah	50	-3	63	34	2	0	54	0.80	12.84	33.22	37.61
Santa Rosa	51	-3	69	35	7	0	45	0.87	17.74	32.82	36.51
Napa State Hospital	52	-1	67	36	2	0	41	0.53	8.46	18.33	20.52
<b>Central Coast</b>											
San Francisco	54	-2	65	44	16	0	42	0.70	8.22	19.01	20.79
San Jose	54	-3	67	40	19	0	42	0.98	6.88	13.46	15.02
Salinas	54	-2	68	41	11	0	37	0.90	8.80	11.56	12.91
Monterey	55	2	64	43	11	0	52	1.79	17.73	14.48	16.23
Paso Robles	54	-1	75	36	4	0	38	0.92	10.77	11.76	12.87
<b>Sacramento Valley</b>											
Redding	52	-4	69	37	27	0	53	1.16	19.17	29.33	34.80
Red Bluff	54	-2	73	40	23	0	37	0.26	9.58	20.91	24.63
Willows	54	-3	73	41	25	0	27	0.29	6.92	20.37	23.67
Oroville	57	0	72	41	19	0	35	0.00	9.79	27.80	31.72
Marysville	54	-2	73	41	13	0	38	0.84	9.02	19.41	22.88
Sacramento	55	0	71	39	6	0	36	0.84	9.67	18.86	21.35
<b>San Joaquin Valley</b>											
Stockton	56	0	74	42	18	0	35	0.71	7.86	12.47	14.14
Modesto	56	-3	72	42	20	0	33	0.84	6.29	11.39	13.19
Merced Macready	55	-1	75	38	7	0	32	0.81	8.62	10.82	12.59
Madera	54	-2	73	37	9	0	30	0.81	5.25	10.36	12.10
Fresno	57	-2	74	44	47	0	30	0.51	6.38	10.00	11.57
Lemoore	56	-1	74	36	17	0	31	0.13	6.11	6.95	7.95
Visalia	56	-3	72	39	27	0	25	0.52	6.59	9.61	10.99
Bakersfield	59	-1	73	42	59	1	26	0.13	4.55	5.74	6.51
<b>Cascade Sierra</b>											
Alturas	38	-2	54	17	0	0	49	0.05	5.84	9.41	14.22
Mount Shasta	40	-5	55	28	0	0	56	2.11	15.61	36.31	43.48
Blue Canyon	36	-7	45	27	0	0	62	4.39	33.15	54.84	65.00
Yosemite Valley	46	-2	67	32	0	0	31	2.02	12.59	31.28	36.97
<b>South Coast</b>											
Santa Maria	55	0	77	38	22	0	35	0.94	9.55	12.77	14.05
Santa Barbara	55	-1	67	42	7	0	29	1.01	10.44	16.32	17.89
Oxnard	56	0	68	44	42	0	28	0.16	9.80	13.50	14.71
Riverside	61	0	79	46	108	10	24	0.00	8.12	11.02	12.50
Los Angeles	62	3	72	52	181	0	29	0.06	10.41	11.80	12.92
San Diego	62	2	69	55	130	10	37	0.00	9.78	9.44	10.42
<b>Southeast Interior</b>											
Bishop	50	-1	77	23	0	0	15	0.00	1.77	4.44	5.21
Daggett	62	1	83	42	43	17	13	0.00	3.65	2.91	4.08
Lancaster	56	0	73	36	4	0	24	0.01	8.43	6.69	7.43
Thermal	71	4	85	51	236	184	13	0.00	4.48	2.56	3.22
Blythe	69	1	87	53	215	210	18	0.00	4.39	2.54	3.85
Imperial	69	2	89	50	198	208	11	0.00	1.97	2.40	3.46

1/ Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice).

2/ Normal periods 1980-2010 used in departure from normal calculations.

3/ Total number of days with precipitation events this season.

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